

(3) Amended Claims

1. (Currently amended) A process for imparting a wood grain and coloration to a textured ~~surface~~ substrate having a patterned ~~of~~ texture surfaces with grain-like recesses therein, comprising:

- (1) applying an opaque, pigmented, coating composition as a base coat having a base coat color comprising an opaque, pigmented, water-based paint emulsion to the a wood-~~grain textured~~ substrate;
- (2) drying the base coat;
- (3) ~~sparingly~~ applying a pigmented, water-based graining coat having a graining coat color in an amount sufficient to ~~replicate a predetermined wood color and provide a~~ darkening color to ~~texture~~ the grain-like recesses in the substrate; and
- (4) spreading the graining coat to color at least a majority of the grain-like recesses in the substrate, while retaining a coating of that graining coat on the texture surface, which partially screens and color modifies the base coat color and provides a natural look in terms of grain and coloration of a selected wood type; and
- (5) drying the graining coat to provide a wood grain and coloration.

2. (Original) A process according to claim 1, wherein the graining coat is applied at a rate of from about 1 to 3 ounces per 32 square feet of surface.

3. (Original) A process according to claim 1, wherein the base coat comprises a crosslinkable acrylic.

4. (Original) A process according to claim 1, wherein the graining coat comprises a crosslinkable urethane/acrylic.

5. (Withdrawn) A kit for imparting a wood grain to a textured surface having a pattern of texture

surfaces with recesses therein, comprising: an opaque, pigmented, water-based paint emulsion; and a pigmented, water-based graining coat emulsion packaged in a spray bottle and, instructions in accord with claim 1.

6. (Withdrawn) A kit according to claim 5 which further includes an applicator selected from the group consisting of scraper, brush, sponge, cloth, or a combination of any of these.

7. (Withdrawn) A kit according to claim 5, wherein the graining coat comprises a urethane/acrylic.

8. (Withdrawn) A kit comprising an opaque, pigmented base coat for application to wood-grain textured substrate and a pigmented crosslinkable graining coat having a color complementary with the base coat to provide a finish that faithfully reproduces the coloration and graining of a predetermined wood, wherein the base coat comprises: a) a crosslinkable acrylic polymer; b) a surfactant component; c) a water-soluble, aqueous solvent for the polymer; d) a pigment component.

9. (Withdrawn) A pigmented, water-based graining coat composition for applying a grain to an opaque, pigmented crosslinkable base coat applied to wood-grain textured substrate, to provide a finish that faithfully reproduces the coloration and graining of a predetermined wood the graining coat composition comprising: a) a crosslinkable urethane/acrylic polymer; b) a surfactant; c) a water-soluble, aqueous solvent for the polymer; and d) a pigment component, wherein the crosslinkable polymer provides a finish characterized by ultraviolet light stability and chemical resistance.

10. (Withdrawn) A pigmented, water-based graining coat composition for applying a grain to an opaque, pigmented base coat applied to wood-grain textured substrate, the graining coat composition comprising: a) a crosslinkable acrylic; b) a surfactant; c) a water-soluble, aqueous solvent for the polymer; and d) from 4 to 25% pigment of a pigment component,

wherein the crosslinking polymer provides a finish that faithfully reproduces the coloration and graining of a predetermined wood in a brilliant finish characterized by ultraviolet light stability and chemical resistance.

11. (Withdrawn) A process according to claim 10 wherein the acrylic comprises a water reducible alkyd.

12. (Withdrawn) A process according to claim 10 wherein the acrylic comprises a urethane/acrylic.

13. (Currently amended) A process for imparting a wood grain to a textured surface having a pattern of texture surfaces with grain-like recesses therein, comprising:

- (1) applying to a wood-grain textured substrate an opaque, pigmented, water-based ~~paint emulsion~~ base coat, comprising a) a crosslinking acrylic polymer; b) a surfactant component; c) a water-soluble, aqueous solvent for the polymer; and d) a pigment component;
- (2) drying the base coat;
- (3) ~~sparsely~~ applying over the base coat in an amount sufficient to partially screen and modify the base coat color and darkening the color of at least a majority of the grain-like texture recesses in the substrate a pigmented, water-based graining coat that provides a finish that imparts ~~faithfully reproduces~~ the coloration and graining of a predetermined wood ~~in a brilliant finish~~ characterized by ultraviolet light stability ~~and chemical resistance~~; and
- (4) air drying the graining coat.

14. (Currently amended) A process for imparting a repairable wood grain to a textured surface having a pattern of texture surfaces with recesses therein, comprising:

- (1) applying to an adherent wood-grain textured substrate an opaque, pigmented, water-based paint emulsion base coat comprising

- a) a crosslinkable acrylic polymer;
 - b) a surfactant component;
 - c) a water-soluble, aqueous solvent for the polymer; and
 - d) a pigment component;
- (2) drying the base coat;
- (3) ~~sparingly~~ applying to the base coat following drying, a water-based pigmented, transparent but darkening graining coat in an amount sufficient partially screen and modify the base coat color and darkening the color of at least a majority of the grain-like texture recesses in the substrate ~~a pigmented~~, comprising
- a) a crosslinkable acrylic;
 - b) a surfactant;
 - c) a water-soluble, aqueous solvent for the polymer; and
 - d) a pigment component,
- wherein the crosslinkable polymer provides a finish that imparts faithfully ~~reproduces~~ the coloration and graining of a predetermined wood ~~in a brilliant finish~~ characterized by ultraviolet light stability and ~~chemical resistance~~; and
- (4) air drying the graining coat.

15. (Currently amended) A process according to claim 14 wherein the acrylic in the graining coat comprises ~~comprises~~ a water reducible alkyd.

16. (Currently amended) A process according to claim 14 wherein the acrylic in the graining coat comprises a urethane/acrylic.